A Bill for an Act Relating to Professional Engineers, Architects and Land Surveyors, and Amending Section 464-13 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Purpose. It appears that under the provisions of chapter 464 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes a duly licensed architect or structural engineer's stamp is required on all plans in which the estimated cost of privately owned or controlled one-story building exceeds \$20,000 or to any privately owned or controlled two-story building, dwelling or structure in which the estimated cost exceeds \$15,000.

The last amendment to this chapter was made in 1961. Since 1961, however, the cost of materials and labor has risen tremendously, whereby a \$35,000 structure of today would have cost \$20,000 in 1961. The requirement of architect or engineer's stamp further increases the cost of a structure.

SECTION 2. Section 464-13 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 464-13. Structures exempted from provisions of chapter. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to work in respect to any privately owned or privately controlled one-storied building, dwelling or structure, the estimated cost of which does not exceed \$35,000, nor to any privately controlled two-storied building, dwelling or structure, the estimated cost of which does not exceed \$30,000; provided that no structure, dwelling or building in which the principal structural members consist of reinforced concrete or structural steel having riveted, bolted or welded connections shall be exempted from this chapter."

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 29, 1969.)